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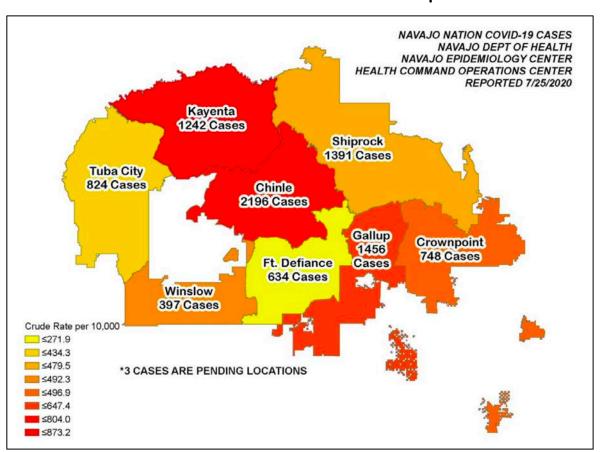
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6,547 recoveries, 54 new cases, and five more death related to COVID-19 reported



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Sunday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 54 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths has reached 439 as of Sunday.

Reports indicate that approximately 6,547 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 77,156 people have been tested for COVID-19. The total number of COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation is 8,891.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 2,196
Crownpoint Service Unit: 748
Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 634
Gallup Service Unit: 1,456
Kayenta Service Unit: 1,242
Shiprock Service Unit: 1,391
Tuba City Service Unit: 824
Winslow Service Unit: 397

The Navajo Nation's 57-hour weekend lockdown remains in effect until Monday, July 27, at 5:00 a.m. All businesses on the Navajo Nation, including tribal parks and lakes, are closed for the weekend lockdown duration. There will be another 57-hour weekend lockdown beginning on Friday, July 31, at 8:00 p.m. until Monday, Aug. 3, at 5:00 a.m.

"I express my appreciation to all the Navajo citizens who adhere to the weekend lockdowns. We can beat this virus if we work together. Other states and local governments observe the Navajo Nation on how we managed to slow the spread of COVID-19. There is no specific formula to slow the spread, but practicing the recommendations of public health experts and leaders, such as wearing masks, social distancing, washing hands, staying home, has led us in a positive direction," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Navajo health experts state that the best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to COVID-19 and by staying home and avoid all unnecessary travel.

"We must practice all practice preventative measures to avoid another spike in cases. Our frontline workers need our help by decreasing the number of positive cases. Our frontline heroes are dedicated, compassionate, and skilled professionals who serve on the front lines to combat the coronavirus. We thank them for being committed to saving lives every day," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website at http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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^{*} Three residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.